



# Action Alert

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### **SANCTION IRAN!**

The recent Nuclear Security Summit in Washington, D.C. ignored the Iranian nuclear program and the fact that many experts believe Iran may build a nuclear weapon within the year. The nuclear disarmament treaty signed with Russia contains numerous “holes” in both the treaty and its potential ratification and verification processes. This brings Russia no closer to truly partnering with America to ensuring strong and effective sanctions against Iran and its ongoing nuclear development.

Both houses of Congress easily passed the Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act. The House bill, H.R. 2194, has 343 co-sponsors and the Senate version, S. 908, has 77. However, the Senate version included an additional amendment that requires the House and Senate to setup a conference to hammer out the differing versions before each chamber re-votes upon the negotiated bill. Once the conferees negotiate a bill, we ask that all members of Congress support it so that President Obama can sign it before Memorial Day.

While boasting significant oil reserves, Iran possesses limited refining capabilities. Therefore, this act will significantly impact Iran’s economy and send a strong signal that we are serious about halting their nuclear development program. Few things threaten America and her allies more than a nuclear armed Iran. The time to stop Iran is now, not a year or more down the road.

Please contact your [Representative](#) and [Senators](#) today. In addition, alert your networks to this pressing issue. Finally, write op-eds, perform interviews, and take advantage of any other means to raise the visibility of this crucial issue. Our future and that of our allies depends on it.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- 1) **Immediately contact your [Representative](#) and [Senators](#) and urge them to support the bill.**
- 2) **Write op-eds and perform interviews to draw positive attention to this bill.**
- 3) **Distribute this *Action Alert* to your networks.**

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